

Academic Awards Dinner A Success

by Vincent Lijoi and Zuleema Stephens

On Tuesday, November 10, Bishop Ford held its annual academic awards dinner. It was a night to honor all of the students who achieved first honors, second honors, and those who were on the Principal's List for the 1991-1992 school year. It was also a night to congratulate those students who were newly accepted into the Bishop Ford chapter of the National Honor Society, and the old members as well. After everyone had dinner, Mr. Nawrocki made a speech and gave everyone their certificates. It was a great night and everyone enjoyed themselves. Congratulations to everyone who received certificates.

Q. How many applications were given out?

A. There were 45 applications, but only 19 applications were returned.

Q. Who is on the committee?

A. The committee is made up of five people, which includes faculty and staff.

The following were elected to the National Honor Society:

Christine Arbulu, 401
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Elizabeth Alicea, 301
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Laura Frank, 304
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Lauren Hammond, 205
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Treasurer Precious Abu, 401
Secretary Shameka Lawrence, 405.

Madonna's Sex Book A Bore

by Fabio Taliercio

Sex is mainly about hype and power. To assume that it is a book and not just a work of pornography, one must see the detail and structure that the book follows. Madonna personally feels this book to be a disappointment. What is evident is that the book reveals her supposed fantasies. It is known to have happened in the past that Madonna has carried things a little bit overboard in all her arts, which include music, video, photography, and now written documentary.

This book carries on about situations too offensive to speak about. She carries on even more explicitly about control: "Whoever controls the images, controls the power."

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Christmas, 1992

International Society Makes A Comeback

by Kathleen Duncan

Many new clubs and activities are in effect this school year. Among these is the International Society, organized and directed by Mr. Quattrocchi, better known as Mr. Q.

Actually, the club had been active at Bishop Ford years ago. As time passed, the publicity lessened and some of the club's privileges were taken away. (Dances were discontinued because of the behavior of some outside people.) Eventually no one recognized the International Society and it was cancelled. But this school year, plans are altered.

The name of the club may lead you to believe this activity is about different nationalities uniting and sharing their cultures. But that isn't the only goal set for the International Society. It is looking forward to organizing dances, such as a Mardi Gras, and a Bishop Ford fashion show. A Christmas newsletter, by the members, will tell what the club is all about. It will include the Christmas dinner menus of various nationalities, plus artistic material.

In the club, girls and boys learn about several backgrounds and develop a type of respect for one another. Each person will get a better understanding of other cultures.

The meetings are held on Mondays. New members are always welcome and appreciated.

SO, HURRY AND SIGN UP! IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Ford's Environmental Society Thrives



Dr. Anthony DeFina instructs Christine Arbulu and other Ford students at Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge.

by Brandon Broady

Attention! Bishop Ford students, do you know there is a new student activity on the rise? It is called "Ford's Environmental Society," run by Dr. DeFina, who is a chairman of the science department. This club started in September but wasn't noticed by many students. **Highpoint** is here to bring it to your attention, because it is a worthwhile activity to be part of, in which you learn a lot and, at the same time, have fun.

Ford's Environmental Society is a group that teaches you to look at nature around you and to appreciate it as well. One of the first activities

F.E.S. had was to take a historical walk through our own Prospect Park. You wouldn't believe what beautiful things are inside this park (for example, the Boat House, built in 1905, whose architecture was borrowed from a 16th century library in Venice, Italy). Besides historical sites, on this hike through Prospect Park, we saw black squirrels, ducks, wild flowers, and different leaves, like the London plane, tulip tree, bamboo, and sweetgum.

This makes you think that all this is at our fingertips, but we don't take time to notice and learn about our own environment. This is ex-

actly the purpose of this society. It is to get you to look differently at the environment around you. You begin to realize why it is so important that we begin to take care of our environment and not just take it for granted.

Ford's Environmental Society has also taken trips to Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge and High Rock Park on Staten Island. The trip to Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge was in Queens, where F.E.S. observed several species of birds getting ready for the winter migration. F.E.S. saw giant swans, kingfisher birds, and several other species of birds. If you have never seen birds in flight and song, it is a sight to see.

At High Rock Park on Staten Island, F.E.S. actually saw an owl!

Along with everything else, Ford's Environmental Society is adventurous and affords a chance to get away from the rat race of city life.

If you are interested in learning about the environment, having a good time, and getting to meet other people at Bishop Ford, come check out Ford's Environmental Society.

Let It Snow!

Christine Goldston Interviewed By Melinda James

Talk about talented, smart, easy-to-get-along-with, kind, friendly and the greatest junior class president! You've got it, it's **Christine Goldston**. Well, Christine, let's get right to the point.

Melinda: When you were running for junior class president, what promises did you make?

Christine: I didn't make promises I couldn't keep. I stated things that I know I can achieve for the junior class, such as the junior ring dance and the junior class trip. There is a possibility that there will be dress-down days.

Melinda: Did you fulfill your promises?

Christine: As of now, I gave in my proposals to the vice-principal, and I'm now waiting for approvals.

Melinda: Are you planning to further your student political career?

Christine: As of right now, I'm not sure; it all depends on how things work out this year.

Melinda: Do you think the goals you've set for the juniors will be achieved?



Christine Goldston at rest.

Christine: I strongly believe so. It depends on the assistant principal and other staff members involved.

Melinda: Are you participating in any clubs?

Christine: Yes.

Melinda: What are they?

Christine: I'm in the computer club, and I'm also on the girls basketball team.

Melinda: Why did you pick the computer club?

Christine: In college I will major in computer program-

ing and I will pursue that as my professional career.

Melinda: Do you feel that you are a role model for freshmen and sophomores?

Christine: Yes.

Melinda: Why?

Christine: Some students may feel that just going to school from 8:30 to 2:30 is enough, but, in reality, being in different clubs and activities looks good on your college application. Also, extra-curricular activities may

seem like they would put a damper on grades, but I feel that's not true, because I have an average in the nineties, and I manage to balance my school work and activities very well.

Melinda: Thank you, Christine, it has been a pleasure. Now, if you can, just say a word of advice to those who wish to follow you.

Christine: Study hard, participate in activities you know you can excel in, and enjoy your years of high school.

Melinda: To someone as intelligent and amusing as Christine, I give two thumbs up, and, Christine, you go, girl!

DON'T MISS FORD'S
CHALK CIRCLE PLAYERS'
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Students Against Drunken Driving

by Vincent Lijoi

We all know that Christmas is a time for loving, caring, happiness, joy, and being with the people you care about. Unfortunately, Christmas is also a time of sadness for many families who have lost their teenage sons or daughters as a result of drunk driving. Each year, hundreds of teenagers will die for making the wrong decision.

In order for this not to happen, teenagers need a true and loyal friend who will be there to make the decision and do the driving after a long party. Of course, this friend will have to be sober enough for he or she to come to this decision. The chosen one must be able to convince the person who is drunk of the risks he or she is taking by taking over the wheel.

We here at S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Driving) want to prevent deaths due to drunk driving as best we can. That is why we have formed this club of concerned teens at Bishop Ford. The club meets every other Thursday at dismissal in room 276. Members are welcome and needed to help stop this once and for all. For information on the club and to sign up, please see Miss Herman in the foreign language departmental office in room 271.

People Grow From Mistakes

by Kabrina Murrell

Forgotten years . . . or is it that you've simply stored the information of those years in the back of your mind? Whatever the case may be, is it right to condemn a student for what is done after school hours? I do not condone the consumption of alcohol. However, if a student is drinking an alcoholic substance, he is not in school, and most importantly, he is not hurting others. I do not believe that a student's dreams should now be taken away. Nor do I believe in parents having to listen to this (unless they, too, have forgotten).

Yes, forgotten years, which for most parents were the 60s, a peaceful era in which a lot of students (and teachers and a few others I dare not mention) engaged in heavy drinking and drugs (I'm not discussing drugs, because in my opinion, drugs are worse). My point is, just because maybe you weren't aware of your surroundings then and you may be a business person (now yuppie), it does not give you permission to live your life vicariously through your children or your students. There were mistakes that you made when you were younger . . . and there will be mistakes that the young and old alike shall make for generations to come.

People grow from mistakes. Explain what was wrong and why. Do not try to hinder a mistake. There is an urge to protect. However, how can you learn without mistakes? When you were a baby, you fell, you didn't walk immediately, but with each fall, you got a little better, and soon you didn't make the mistake (falling). Remember what it was like to be wrong. Don't hold someone accountable for what they may have done when they were younger.

Pres. Clinton Promises Much

by Fabio Taliercio

Now that Clinton has been elected President, many people ask, "What's in it for us?" Bill Clinton provided an abundance of answers during his running in the primaries.

Bill Clinton has been a student of politics all his life.

Many people neglected to listen to his views, believing him to be a typical politician; but now it's time to listen, because he is loaded with answers and changes that could actually get the country moving again.

As time passed, his position carried him to it's ultimate point of chief strategist. Many people have doubted Democrats in the past, but after 12 years of Republicans in power, causing our budget deficit to increase in all ways, I'm not too sure a Democrat isn't good for the job.

He carried himself all the way to the Presidency. The next step now is planned, but still, no one knows what will occur in the future. Bill Clinton seems to be full of ideas; now lets see if they'll be carried out.



HIGHPOINT'S EDITORS

AND STAFF EXTEND TO

THE ENTIRE BISHOP FORD

COMMUNITY BEST WISHES

FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Ben Velez Interviewed

by Fabio Taliercio

Q. How do you feel about being awarded this scholarship?

A. I'm very happy for the fact that I'm saving my parents money, and I'm proud of myself.

Q. Do you feel you've worked up to your potential?

A. Yes, because I maintain over a 90 average.

Q. What kind of views do you have on education?

A. I feel it should be awarded to everybody, because it is a privilege of life.

Q. Has anyone helped you to be the person you are, and if so, who?

A. My parents, because they have encouraged me through my school years to do my best.

Q. What do you hope to become when you get older?

A. An architect like my father.

Q. In what ways has this scholarship changed your life?

A. I feel better about myself, because I know I can achieve the goals that I have prepared for myself in life.

Peter Wyden's STELLA Reviewed

The Holocaust was a disaster and a tragedy in itself. To some it is even impossible to remember what occurred during the Holocaust without going through some sort of self or social drama.

This book details the steps of a woman who was herself Jewish, but instead of being an addition to the statistics of those many millions who were massacred, she aided the Nazi forces to kill even more by trading them in.

The Nazi extermination process was immoral and too horrendous to imagine, but it did occur and many innocent lives were taken. This detailed work, actually written by a man who lived the Holocaust, is very true and very interesting. His main goal is to portray this woman named Stella Goldschlay and unmemorable crimes that occurred during that period of disgrace.

Christmas Tree's Roots Reach Back To Germany

by Xavier Cardriche

It was a perfect night in December, as I drank a cup of hot chocolate and watched **Martin** on television. I sat next to my mom on the couch, while my sister was busy gossiping with her friend on the phone.

The air was dank with drizzle and a sheet of fog outside was visible. Yet I sat enjoying the warmth of the fireplace and the beauty of our Christmas tree. For a minute I blocked out the tv show and the noise of the voices around me.

I began to question how the whole thing began. This custom of ours of decorating a tree as part of the Christmas season dates back to the Egyptians, Chinese, and Hebrews.

Years later, during the 17th century, when the Germans came as settlers to America, they brought ideas and practices that were soon taken up by the whole country. German music and styles of celebrating Christmas caught on with Americans.

It is believed that the main prop of a popular medieval play (about Adam and Eve) was a fir tree, known to the Germans as a Paradise tree, which represented the Garden of Eden.

The Germans were looking forward yearly to setting up the tree in their homes on December 24 (which is the religious feast of Adam and Eve).

This tradition was in fashion by the 19th century. The Yule tree at the entrance or outside the home in the mid-winter holiday spread among the German Lutherans by the 18th century; not until the 19th century did it became tradition in Germany.

The custom was introduced in England in the early 19th century. The Christmas tree was popularized in the mid 19th century by the German Prince Albert, husband to Queen Victoria. The Victorian tree, that later came to be known as the Christmas tree, was decorated with candles, candies, and fancy cakes hung from the branches by ribbons or paper chains.

The tree was also popular in Australia, Holland, Switzerland and Poland.

Final Information On Presidential Election

by Terrance Joshua

Candidates who ran in the 1992 Presidential election were:

President	Vice President	Party
George Bush	Dan Quayle	Republican
William Clinton	Al Gore	Democratic
H. Ross Perot	James Stockdale	Independent
Lenora Fulriani	Elizabeth Munoz	Independent
Dr. John Hanglin	Mike Tompkins	Natural Law

Although we had several presidential candidates, the media only gave us insights on the three major runners, and they were:

George Bush—	Promised to run the country the same way he's done in the past.
Famous Statement—	Who can you trust? Can we afford another four years of the same old things?
William Clinton—	Promised to create more jobs and improve health care.
Famous Statement—	It's time for a change. Is he the man to provide this change?
Ross Perot—	Promised to decrease the deficit in a five-year span.
Famous Statement—	We're going to look under the hood of the car and fix it. HOW?
The Winner—	William Clinton

We wish our new President-Elect all the best in his endeavors to restore the US.

The campaign was interesting. It was shocking to see how far each candidate was willing to go to get dirt on the others. Through it all, President-Elect William Clinton won by a landslide. Below I will give you an overview of how President-Elect Clinton came to his victory.

	W. Clinton	G. Bush	H. Ross Perot
Electoral Votes Won	370	85	0
Popular Votes Won	40%	38%	19%

The United States is looking for a change; we hope this change will materialize with our new President-Elect William Clinton.

MUCH THANKS TO ALL THE STUDENTS AND FACULTY MEMBERS WHO SO GENEROUSLY PARTICIPATED IN OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE.

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Faculty Focus: Ms. Geroulakis

by Fabio Taliercio

- Q. What kind of views did you have as a child?
- A. I think my views as a child were that any goal could be achieved. I didn't realize the work which goes behind it.
- Q. What did you hope to become when you were a child?
- A. Actually, when I was little, I wanted to become a veterinarian.
- Q. What kind of views did you have on education when you were young?
- A. I kind of looked forward to school and the social aspect of education.
- Q. Why did you choose to resign as moderator of the cheerleading squad?
- A. Actually, last year there were many good experiences for me as moderator. I really formed a close relationship with many of the girls, but I felt that I spent too much time here and not enough time at home with my children.
- Q. Do you feel you have an impact on the students here at Bishop Ford?
- A. Yes, I do, because generally I like them and I'm fascinated by teenagers. They have a life force that depletes as we get older.
- Q. What kind of influence do you think you're having on the students?
- A. I hope that at the least I'm making myself approachable in case any one is having any difficulties, and I also hope that I'm at least getting them interested in science.
- Q. If you could change anything, would you, and what would it be?
- A. I think I would try to change this feeling of mediocrity that exists in many of the students. Every one should strive to be the best they can be.

Under Siege

by Vincent Lijoi

This review is about the movie, *UNDER SIEGE*, starring Steven Seagal. This movie is a great attempt for Seagal to move from exploitation to a thriller.

The movie is set aboard a U.S. Navy battleship that is carrying nuclear-tipped Tomahawk missiles. Tommy Lee Jones plays a man who has the terrorist-genius role. He smuggles himself aboard and takes over the ship. It is now up to Seagal to launch a counterattack, since in the movie he plays a former war hero turned stack-cook.

The movie was well made and is rated R. I recommend it very much, if you are the type of person who likes adventure-type movies.

Candyman Isn't Sweet

by Denise Grullon

When going to see a horror film, you usually go for a good scare, not for the story line or to see how good the cinematography is. But when you go to see *Candyman*, you will be pleasantly surprised. It has both an imaginative and almost realistic story line, as well as captivating scenery and interesting characters.

Candyman has to do with an urban folk legend about the son of an ex-slave who was a superb artist and was contracted by a rich white man to paint a portrait of his beautiful daughter. The two fell in love, and the young woman was soon expecting a child. When the father heard of this, he sent some thugs to take care of the artist. They cruelly tortured and killed him, then burned him and spread his ashes over what would become a housing complex. From then on, whenever anyone would say the name, "Candyman" five times into the mirror, he would appear behind him, breathing down his neck, and kill him with a hook that took the place of a missing hand.

This suspenseful thriller will keep you on the edge of your seat peaking through the fingers of your hands covering your eyes.

Skin Cancer Spreading

by Fabio Taliercio

The latest statistics on skin cancer are by themselves alarming. This year more than 600,000 Americans will be diagnosed with skin cancer, up 50 percent from 400,000 in 1980; an average of 9,000 Americans will die from skin cancer this year.

Passion for the sun's rays has been a cultural fixation in America since the 1920s. Dark complexions and tans were on the rise, and people revealed themselves more and more to the sun as the decades passed.

Researchers at Yale have confirmed that skin cancer begins with ultraviolet rays penetrating skin cells, damaging a gene in the process. Ultraviolet rays have been a likely agent in a direct impact on cancerous genes. Radiation fouls the normal cell growth and it cannot perform its daily functions. Affected cells begin in a cycle which cannot be controlled; they divide, and the result is a cancerous tissue.

100,000 Americans each year are diagnosed with a precancerous growth. If you care for yourself, recognize these facts and also prevent yourself from becoming one of these statistics.

THE SENIOR-FACULTY
CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL
TAKE PLACE SATURDAY
EVENING, DECEMBER 19.

Faculty Focus: Ms. Theresa Bianchi

by Brandon Broady

Many Bishop Ford students who have been taught foreign language by Mrs. Bianchi say she is one of the most dedicated and caring teachers at Bishop Ford. Mrs. Bianchi is special, not just because she is the chairperson of the foreign language department and knows three romance languages (Spanish, French and Italian), but because she takes time to teach you more than just the language. She teaches you the customs that belong to that language, about life, and how you can succeed. When you go into her class, don't think you're in for an easy time, but be ready to work, because she feels it is her responsibility to help you work to your fullest potential. Mrs. Bianchi will take her lunch period and use it to help a student, whether it has to do with language, choosing right courses, or even just to talk.

Her classroom atmosphere is one of work, one of joking

women teachers, including herself. Mrs. Bianchi was also an influence in helping Bishop Ford become coed, because she believed high school this way is better from her teaching experience at all-boys and all-girls schools.

From the interview with Mrs. Bianchi, one of the many things I discovered was the fact that she is responsible for establishing fourth-year courses of foreign languages at Ford.

Mrs. Bianchi is against free periods, particularly freshmen year, where it is most convenient to fit in art, music and typing courses. She is against free periods because we need to be fully educated and prepared when it is time to leave Bishop Ford.

When asked what has changed most at Bishop Ford, Mrs. Bianchi replied, "The mixing of girls into our school and student loss of interest in after school activities, which is not good." Mrs. Bianchi continued, "Being in-



Ms. Theresa Bianchi

at the right times, and one of expanding your mind to the world around you. Yes, she tells stories over and over again, like any other teacher, but you learn or remember something new everytime she tells it. Mrs. Bianchi demands respect, and at first impression, you begin to feel she knows everything.

Mrs. Bianchi is a native of Brooklyn and lives in the Midwood area. She has been teaching at Ford 23 years, since 1970. Mrs. Bianchi has her master's and bachelor's degrees in French and Italian and secondary education respectfully. In case you're wondering, yes, her husband is Mr. Bianchi, who is chairperson of physical sciences.

When asked why Mrs. Bianchi chose Ford, she said it looked interesting, and she came at a time when Ford was all boys. Mrs. Bianchi felt it was needed to add some diversity among the teaching staff, which only had five

involved in student activities is important for the development of leadership qualities, independence and group goals."

One of the things that Mrs. Bianchi feels very strong about is abortion and capital punishment. This is a topic that many teachers wouldn't answer directly, so *Highpoint* thanks her for her honesty. Mrs. Bianchi is against both of them because she feels life is important from the minute of conception to death.

Mrs. Bianchi last of all is a pretty active person who travels around the world from France to Switzerland and other countries. She also likes to go to the theater, the opera, and art museums. But most of her time is spent within her community, as head coach with Mr. Bianchi of an explorer group associated with the Boy Scouts of America. She loves going camping with this group that has both girls and boys from ages 14 up to about 21.

Last Of The Mohicans

by Shariyfah Ahmed

Last of the Mohicans is a historical film starring Daniel-Day Lewis and co-starring Madeline Stowe. This story takes place in the late 1700's. It shows the conflict between man and man. It shows the frontier life of the

French and Indian War.

As Daniel-Day Lewis struggles to keep his tribe alive, he falls in love with an American woman (Madeline Stowe). Through the harsh times of the war, they find a way to survive. Adventurous and truthful.

Manatee Endangered

by Fabio Taliercio

The West Indian manatee is an endangered species. Only about 1,200 remain in the United States, and that is the majority. In an effort to recognize the manatee's existence and to prevent it from distinction, let us first get to know its features and characteristics.

A manatee is a large aquatic mammal resembling a seal. They seem to carry themselves at a slow pace. They have pin-prick eyes, pudgy bodies, and puddle-shaped tails to aid them in motion when in water. Measuring 7 to 12 feet, and weighing from 1,000 to 3,000 pounds at most, they are able to consume 60 to 100 pounds of aquatic plants a day.

These harmless vegetarians have no natural enemies, except man. Threats to survival include habitat loss and occasional injury caused by man-made machines, such as boats.

They have been listed as endangered since 1967. Through those years, Florida has made herself a sanctuary for the peaceful mammal. Let us not forget those that inhabit this earth with us.

Book Review: Disappearing Act

by Zuleema F. Stephens

This is one of Terry McMillan's best-selling books that deals with the hardships of the relationship between an African-American couple. The book also reveals real-life problems in society. The book also shows the bonding between a woman and a man that is so strong that nothing can separate them.

Here is an avid-reader opinion about the book:

Tamiko Bell: "It describes how special a relationship can be between a man and a woman. It shows how black men and women really need each other to survive in America."

Pearl Harbor: Final Judgement

This book is just one of the many books and articles about the Pearl Harbor disaster in 1941. The incident has been looked upon over the decades as the wrong doing of Americans for their lack of preparation. This book investigates the truth and the wrongness of our self blame for over 50 years.

It is important to study our own failures, but wise to recognize that Japan was involved in the Pearl Harbor situation, too. When one possesses the assets of sound research, one tends to forget that he himself is affecting people, and those people will carry on an idea and a feeling that will last forever, unless corrected. This book will do more than that; it will give you the feeling that you were there.

FIRST QUARTER HONORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Seniors
Farone, Melissa
Selfridge, Jennifer A.

Juniors
Banks, Louise H.
Lazaro, Dominic

Glaser, Anoreas Bernhard
Scotto, Stephen

Sophomores
Antoine, Marie-Lyne,
Broady, Brandon G.
Cicco, Gina

Hancock, Jeannie
Poore, Kelly A.
Freshmen
Deida, Wendy
Martinez, Johanna
Polansky, Kathleen
Vergara, Aileen

FIRST HONORS

Seniors
Cooley, Christina
Farone, Melissa E.
Ferrandino, Lisa M.
Gomez, Vivian
Guglielmetti, Cristina M.
Hall, Arthurine V.
Koziorzebska, Marta
Macaluso, Christine M.
Moore, Javone
Pimentel, Damia
Price, Daniel
Villanueva, Lizette
Juniors
Alicia, Elizabeth C.

Calvente, Lisa B.
Dawson, Erin
Frank, Laura A.
Gambino, Maryellen
Gugliotta, Janel
Lopez, Christina M.
Zanetakos, Stefanie H.
Zarzycki, Yvonne

Sophomores
Abroal, Donna Y.
Bubloski, Jay P.
Cruz, Jennifer
DiRosa, Jennifer
Floyd, Dana M.

Incherchera, Nicole
Johnson, Vashti D.
Lugo, John E.
McKenzie, Verena T.
Rossi, Lawrence A.
Selfridge, Dina M.
Sustic, Linda A.
Walsh, Kathleen

Freshmen
Banks, Yvonne
Bargas, Lynny Anthony
Catalano, Anthony
Chowdhury, Ishani

SECOND HONORS

Seniors
Agostino, Joseph
Alkhamach, Ed
Allert, Niquesha
Arbulu, Christine
Barthelemy, Michelle
Campbell, Robert
Coleman, Sean H.
Crockwell, Shermane J.
Cusmano, John A.
D'Addona, Mark J.
Davis, Christopher T.
Doblando, Waldina
Espinoza, Manny
Falcone, Alyssa
Feliciano, Antonio
Foster, Denise R.
Matthews, Natisha
McLaughlin, Jermaine
Perez, Daniel M.
Pienkowska, Wioleta M.
Rao, Frank G.
Salerno, Tina
Ucciardi, Thomas
Vitale, Jennifer
Vollaro, Christopher C.
Zomer, Ben M.

Juniors
Aseng, Brigitte
Brown, Jamiyah
Elvir, Maria
Fahmy, Regina A.
Familia, Sandra

Forero, Elizabeth S.
Glabik, Peter S.
Hopkins, Brian J.
Lijoi, Vincent J.
O'Hanlon, Kevin J.
Ramos, Tiana
Redding, Michele R.
Sadowski, Ewa L.
Shashaty, Terrence M.
Smeragliuolo, Maria A.
Walvin, Brian G.
Wiggins, Lachrisa S.
Zocco, Matthew J.

Sophomores
Allen, Elin M.
Barthelemy, Lisa M.
Cipolla, Jennifer
Cole, II, Dennis A.
Coles, Ebony T.
DiRosa, Joseph P.
Dugan, Kenneth P.
Dwyer, Dawn M.
Falquez, Wendy P.
France, Regine
Hopkins, Kevin S.
Joseph, Jamaal M.
Lober, Victoria A.
Lopez, Deborah
Mack, Sydney T.
Malec, Beata
Mignone, Joseph A.
Murphy, Joseph R.
Reyes, Elizabeth

Sankey, Julia
Swenson, Robert M.
Valva, Charles G.
Vega, Christopher
Vila, Tasha

Freshmen
Ako-Adjei, Danso
Bass, Stacy M.
Belcastro, Lynda
Cammallere, Kristi
Ciannella, John
D'Amore, Sabino
Eakle, Margaret
Henry, Clarissa
Macksoud, Cara
Marrero, Efrain
Mayor, Michael
McRae, Jason
Pettis, Rasheen
Riddick, Kori
Salazar, Ginamarie
Taliereio, Fabio
Williams, Kanasha

Sportlight Shines On Antonio Wright

by Denise Grullon

This school year is the final one of Antonio Wright's high school career at Bishop Ford. He has maintained an above-average grade level, while continuing to excel in his extracurricular activity, track.

D.G. Who are the captain's of this year's varsity track team?

A.W. Chris Gonzalez, Danny Incantalupo and myself.

D.G. How long have you been a part of track?

A.W. This would be my 5th year. I started towards the end of 8th grade.

D.G. How has the varsity track team been doing this year?

A.W. This year we're doing well, but we're capable of performing at a much higher level; still, I have faith in the team's ability.

D.G. How many more track meets are you expecting to have? And when does the track season end?

A.W. There are two more varsity cross-country meets left following the indoor season. We

basically have three seasons: cross-country, indoor and outdoor.

D.G. What exactly are the differences among the three?

A.W. Cross-country is a 2.5 mile-with-hills competition, while indoor and outdoor are basic track and field events.

D.G. In which of the three do you compete?

A.W. I run all three, all year round.

D.G. Besides track, what are some of your interests?

A.W. Since track takes up most of my time, I have limited chances to do other things.

D.G. Since this is your final year in high school, are you planning to go to college? If so, what schools are you considering?

A.W. Yes, I am planning to go to college. I would like to go to the University of Carolina; hopefully, I can obtain a scholarship.

Antonio Wright is an exceptional role model for up-and-coming underclassmen.

Volleyball Team Flourishes

by Nicole Crooks

This week I interviewed Miss Lynch and a few teammates to find out their opinions on volleyball.

Q. How many girls are on the volleyball team?

A. 16.

Q. How many games have you won so far?

A. 7.

Q. Who is the captain of the team?

A. Colleen Kilen.

Q. How do you feel being the head coach?

A. She projected more out of the team. What she is trying to say is that the girls have the ability to do much better. She also stated that the team had it's ups and downs.

Q. When I asked a few of the teammates how they felt about being on the volleyball team. Each of them had different views.

A. "It's nice because it gives you a chance to know the freshmen, since I am a senior. I enjoy it" says teammate Nikki Alert.

A. "I like being on the volleyball team. It's a good experience and a great challenge."—Valerie Jean.

"It's a very good experience. We have a great coach. She's not only a coach but a friend."—Kelly Flahive and Laura Mannino.

Ford Students In Kingsborough Career Program



Several Bishop Ford High School students were accepted into the Kingsborough Community College Career Advancement Program. The program enables high school seniors to take courses for college credit on the college campus. Students accepted into the program are pictured above, left to right: (back row) Sal Zambito, Natisha Matthews, Denise Foster, Cionin Lorenzo, Christina Guglielmetti, (front row) Lisa Ferrandino, Luisa Camiolo, Jennifer Akl.

Germain & Rosado Interviewed

by Christine Vega

Names, homerooms, and positions:

Lothaire Leonard Germain, H.R. 304—Sprinter of Indoor and Outdoor.

Bruce Christopher Rosado, H.R. 308—All events, except Short Sprinting.

Q. When did you start track?

A. Lothaire: Freshman year.

A. Bruce: Freshman year.

Q. Why did you pick it?

A. Lothaire: To have fun and make friends. But after I joined, I realize I had a big interest in it.

A. Bruce: One of my friends talked me into it.

Q. Do you have any other interests?

A. Lothaire: I've got D.J. equipment home.

A. Bruce: Basketball, listening to music, going to parties, being with girls.

Q. If we were to go to your house, what would we catch you doing?

A. Lothaire: D.J.-ing or sleeping.

A. Bruce: Talking on the phone or just watching television.

Q. What's the main reason you're on track?

A. Lothaire: A scholarship to help mom to pay for college.

A. Bruce: A scholarship to help pay for college. I like to have the feeling of doing well, 'cause it gives me a natural high.

Q. Who do you wanna shout out to?

A. Lothaire: Track Team!

A. Bruce: Track Team and all the fly young ladies in the school.

Q. Thanks.

A. Lothaire: No prob.

A. Bruce: No problem. See ya in religion class.

Track Team Speeds Along

by Shani Smallwood

Within the next two weeks, the Bishop Ford track team will be running in the City Champs at Van Voutland Park. The Freshman and Sophomore Meets will be on Saturday, November 7th, and the JV and Varsity Meets will be on the next Saturday, November 14th. I asked some of the members of the track team how they thought they would do.

"I don't know about the freshman, but I think the varsity will at least make it to 3rd or 4th place," says Jennifer of the girls varsity track team. Some people did know about how the freshman would do, like Shenita Hickman, a member of the freshman girls' track team. "I think we're going to do well, because we ran so many times and we improved our race times."

"I think we'll kick butt," says member Anthony, speaking for the freshman, JV and varsity boys' team. However, the question of team spirit still remains. "Some of the people need to work together and support each other, and as long as we do that, we'll be fine," says Keora of the freshman girls track team.

So, there you have it. The Bishop Ford track team is going to run for glory with a winning attitude. I am a member of the freshman track team, and I think we are going to do well, also. Good luck to everyone, and go for it!

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